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91ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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TED WEDEL, Chief Clerk

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 190, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to boundary changes by ambulance districts.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 190, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be
2 known as section 190.072, to read as follows:

**190.072. 1. Any two or more contiguous ambulance districts may, by a majority
2 vote of the governing body of each district or by a petition signed by at least seventy-five
3 percent of the owners of real property in the affected area, provide for territory located in
4 one district to be annexed and served by a contiguous district. Notice of the proposed
5 annexation shall be filed with the circuit court in the county in which the affected area is
6 located, or in the circuit court of the county in which the greater physical portion of the
7 affected area is located in the event that such area is located in more than one county. The
8 court shall set a date for a hearing on the proposed annexation and shall cause notice to be
9 published in the same manner as section 190.020.**

**10 2. If the court, after the hearing, finds that the proposed annexation would not be
11 in the public interest, it shall order that the annexation not be allowed. If the court finds
12 the proposed annexation to be in the public interest, it shall approve the annexation and
13 the territory shall be detached from one or more districts and annexed to the other district
14 or districts. The court shall not approve any boundary changes pursuant to this section
15 until all districts involved in such change have provided for, and agreed upon, a plan of
16 compensation for, or assumption of, the outstanding debt attributable to the affected area
17 to be annexed.**

18 3. After the annexation is approved, each district shall amend its decree of

19 **incorporation to reflect the change in its boundaries as a result of the annexation, and the**
20 **governing body of the county shall, prior to any subsequent election for ambulance district**
21 **board members, redivide any election districts established pursuant to section 190.050. A**
22 **certified copy of the amended decree showing the boundary change and the new**
23 **subdistricts shall be filed in the office of the recorder of deeds, in the office of the county**
24 **clerk in each county having territory in the district and in the office of the secretary of**
25 **state.**

26 **4. The costs incurred in the enlargement or extension of the district shall be taxed**
27 **to the district being enlarged or extended, unless otherwise provided by the districts in an**
28 **agreement approved by the circuit court; provided that, no costs shall be taxed to the**
29 **directors of the district.**